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For many years, the State has contracted with the Department of Health Services' (DHS) Health Facilities Inspection Division to serve as the Los Angeles County district office of State Licensing and Certification. Now, the State is cutting the funds for this program by 16.5 percent without providing alternative solutions for the County to continue regular inspections of health facilities, including nursing homes, hospitals, intermediate care, and other health facilities. In addition, the funding cut will cause many nursing homes to not be inspected annually and placing applicants for new certification and licensure of intermediate care facilities on waiting lists.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors direct the Chief Administrative Officer to work with the Director of Health Services to prepare a five-signature letter to the Governor, with copies to the Health and Welfare Agency Secretary and the State Director of Health Services, requesting that the State meet their obligation to ensure that the health protection programs are not compromised by the State's funding reduction without alternative solutions.

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